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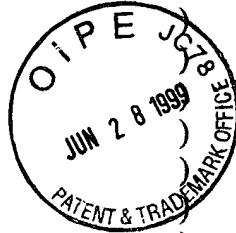
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Sir:

The Applicants submits herewith a copy of each of the following references for consideration by the Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above-identified application.

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The Applicants believe that none of these references, separately or in proper combination, disclose or suggest the invention claimed by the Applicant. However, the Applicants seek to have these references available in the record for both the Examiner and the public to see.

This disclosure statement is filed in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.97(a) and shall not be construed as a representation that a search has been made or that no other material information as defined in 37 C.F.R. §1.56(a) exists.

The Applicants specifically reserve all rights of privilege and confidence with respect to this matter and submission of this document of references is not to be construed as an admission by the Applicant that these references constitute prior art to the Applicants' invention. A copy of Form PTO-1449 is also submitted.

Respectfully submitted,

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